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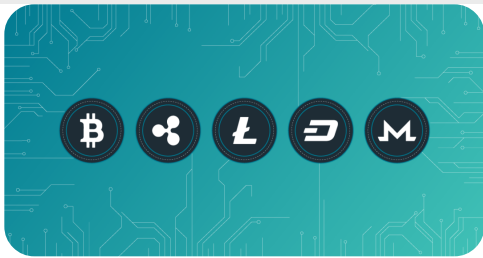
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# Top 10 Cryptocurrencies 2018

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*Top 10 Cryptocurrencies 2018  
according to the market cap  
will surprise you because few  
of the cryptocurrency on the  
list might sound entirely new  
to you.*



**CoinCrump** – As we all know, how the cryptocurrency market changes in the past few years. In the year 2017 more than 600 cryptocurrencies in the trading marketplace came into existence, 1000 plus ICO's and token sales launched. But considering the market capitalization of the cryptocurrency here is the list of Top 10 Cryptocurrencies 2018 which are leading the market and gains investment opportunity for long-term as well as short-term profits.

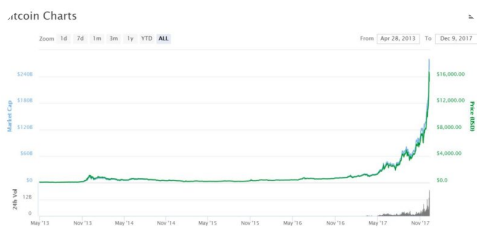
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## #1 **Bitcoin (BTC)**

The "king" of the cryptocurrencies is at first place on the list of Top 10

Cryptocurrencies 2018.

**Bitcoin** has a **market cap of \$255 Billion** which is approximately five times more than Ethereum. It is also the first decentralized cryptocurrency which used peer-to-peer technology and SHA-256 POW algorithm to operate. Also, it has a maximum supply of 21,000,000 out of which 16,729,825 currently in amount or mined.



Moreover, it is one of the most traded cryptocurrencies in the entire crypto world, but the prices are highly unstable as the prices go up & down by 10-20% in a single day. This year Bitcoin has almost surged by 2000% and according to some analysts, BTC will reach \$40000- \$50000 by the end of this year. On the other hand, JP Morgan CEO Jamie Dimon believe "it a fraud" &

"It's just not a real thing,  
eventually it will be closed."

## #2 Ethereum (ETH)

Ethereum is a decentralized platform that runs smart contracts: applications that run exactly as programmed without any possibility of downtime, censorship, fraud or third-party interference. The cryptocurrency has a **market cap of \$46 Billion** and a current supply of 96,232,842.3. It works on Ethash POW algorithm which is faster in terms of transactions as compared to Bitcoin.



Surprisingly, Ethereum has surged more than 5,700 % in a year and the lowest price, \$6.98, was on 26 December 2016.

## #3 Bitcoin Cash (BCH)

Bitcoin Cash (BCH) is the hard-forked version of Bitcoin (BTC) and thus runs on the same algorithm as Bitcoin. Also, it has the same maximum supply and current supply as of Bitcoin. But these are two main difference between the two i.e Bitcoin has a 1MB block size limit whereas BCH proposes 8MB blocks and BCH adjust the difficulty level after every 6 blocks.



It stands at number three with a total **market cap of \$24 Billion** and the price moved more than 250% in the last 6 months.

## #4 IOTA (IOT)

IOTA is an open-source distributed ledger protocol that goes 'beyond blockchain' through its core invention of the block-less 'Tangle'. The IOTA Tangle is a quantum-proof Directed Acyclic Graph, with no fees on transactions

& no fixed limit on how many transactions can be confirmed per second in the network. Instead, throughput grows in conjunction with activity in the network; the more activity, the faster the network. Unlike blockchain architecture, IOTA has no separation between users and validators; rather, validation is an intrinsic property of using the ledger, thus avoiding centralization. IOTA is initially focused on serving as the backbone of the emerging Internet-of-Things (IoT).



IOTA has a maximum and current supply of 2,779,530,283.0 with a **market cap of \$12.90 Billion**. Also, the price has moved more than 700% in the last six months.

## #5 Ripple (XRP)

**Ripple** provides one frictionless experience to

send money globally using the power of blockchain. By joining Ripple's global network, financial institutions can process their customers' payments anywhere in the world instantly, reliably and cost-effectively. Banks and payment providers can use the digital asset XRP to further reduce their costs and access new markets.

They have offices in San Francisco, New York, London, Sydney, India, Singapore and Luxembourg, Ripple has more than 100 customers around the world.



Ripple has a maximum supply of 38,305,873,865, the price hiked by more than 3300% in a year with a **market cap of \$9.29 Billion**.

## #6 Litecoin (LTC)

Litecoin is a peer-to-peer Internet currency that

enables instant, near-zero cost payments to anyone in the world. Litecoin is an open source, the global payment network that is fully decentralized without any central authorities.

Mathematics secures the network and empowers individuals to control their own finances. Litecoin features faster transaction confirmation times and improved storage efficiency than the leading math-based currency. With substantial industry support, trade volume and liquidity, Litecoin is a proven medium of commerce complementary to Bitcoin.

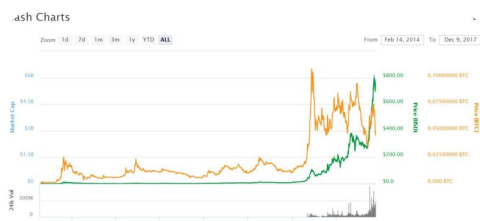


Currently, 54,219,783 Litecoins are circulating in the market with the maximum supply limit of 84,000,000. Litecoin has a **market cap of \$8.40 Billion** almost 30 times less than its rival Bitcoin.



## #7 Digital Cash (DASH)

digital cash (DASH) uses a new chained hashing X11 Pow/ Pos algorithm approach, with many new scientific hashing algorithms for the proof-of-work. DASH aims to be the first privacy-centric cryptographic currency with fully encrypted transactions and anonymous block transactions, this feature is called PrivateSend and can be found on the official Dashcore wallet.



Surprisingly, Dash coin surged by more than 8000% in the last 1 year. It has a **market cap of \$5.52 Billion** till now.

## #8 Monero (XMR)

Monero (XMR) is a cryptonight algorithm based

alternative cryptocurrency. The coin is based on Proof of Work and has a block reward that varies smoothly. The difficulty retargets every block with a sixty-second block target. Monero uses a Ring Signature system to protect your privacy, allowing users to make untraceable transactions.



The prices of Monero surged by more than 3000% in the last 1 year and has a **market cap of approximately \$4 Billion**.

## #9 Bitcoin Gold (BTG)

Bitcoin Gold is a fork of the Bitcoin blockchain that occurred at block 491407. It implements a new PoW algorithm, Equihash, which makes it ASIC-resistant and can only be mined by GPUs rigs. The purpose of Bitcoin Gold is to make mining

decentralized again following Satoshi Nakamoto's vision of "1 CPU = 1 vote".



Bitcoin Gold has a **market cap of \$3.88 Billion** which is approximately 65 times less than the Bitcoin.

## #10 NEM (XEM)

NEM is a peer-to-peer crypto platform. It is written in Java and JavaScript with 100% original source code. NEM has a stated goal of a wide distribution model and has introduced new features in blockchain technology in its proof-of-importance (POI) algorithm. It also features an integrated P2P secure and encrypted messaging system, multisignature accounts and an Eigentrust++ reputation system. Moreover, NEM at the last in the list of Top 10 Cryptocurrencies 2018 has a **market cap of \$3.78 Billion**.



Moreover, NEM is the world's first Smart Asset blockchain. Built from the ground up for enterprise-grade performance, NEM's blockchain technology delivers a world-class platform for management of almost any kind of asset: currencies, supply chains, notarizations, ownership records and more.

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